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1. AS INDICATED REF B, U.S. DELEGATION IS AUTHORIZED

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TO JOIN CONSENSUS ADOPTION ON VOTE FOR SSOD RESOLUTION.

2. U.S. DELEGATION SHOULD MAKE STATEMENT OF U.S. POSITION ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

BEGIN TEXT:

OVER THE YEARS, SEVERAL FACTORS HAVE GOVERNED OUR APPROACH TO VARIOUS ARMS CONTROL PROPOSALS, PARTICULARLY PROPOSALS FOR LARGE CONFERENCES. WE BELIEVE THAT:

--SERIOUS EFFORTS AT ACHIEVING CONCRETE ARMS CONTROL MEASURES CAN ONLY BE THE PRODUCT OF CAREFUL, DETAILED PREPARATION AND NEGOTIATION. LARGE CONFERENCES ORDINARILY DO NOT LEND THEMSELVES TO THIS TYPE OF EFFORT.

--UNREALISTIC PUBLIC EXPECTATIONS CAN BE STIMULATED BY THE PROMISES OFTEN ASSOCIATED WITH LARGE CONFERENCES AND ARE JUST AS FREQUENTLY DISAPPOINTED. PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING AND PUBLIC SUPPORT OF ARMS CONTROL MEASURES ARE TOO IMPORTANT TO RISK THIS.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE UNITED STATES HAS FAVORED SMALLER, EXPERT GROUPS, SUCH AS THE CCD, WHICH HAVE DEMONSTRATED AN ABILITY TO DEAL SUCCESSFULLY WITH COMPLEX ISSUES OF ARMS CONTROL IN A REALISTIC FASHION.

THUS, THE UNITED STATES APPROACHES THE PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT WITH BOTH CAUTION AND HOPE. WE ARE CAUTIOUS BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF THE CONFERENCE AND THE FACT THAT ITS OBJECTIVES REMAIN VAGUE AND UNSPECIFIED. WE ARE HOPEFUL, HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE STRONG INTEREST ON THE PART OF MANY UN MEMBERS FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE AND THE SERIOUSNESS OF PURPOSE WHICH ACCOMPANY THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED REGARDING THE NECESSITY OF ITS
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SUCCESS. WE ALSO ARE HOPEFUL BECAUSE THE RESOLUTION BEFORE US SPECIFIES A PREPARATORY PROCESS WHICH, IF APPROACHED REALISTICALLY AND CONSTRUCTIVELY, CAN BRING ABOUT A SPECIAL SESSION WHICH CONTRIBUTES TO THE BROADER OBJECTIVE OF ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT. FOR THESE REASONS, THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS THE RESOLUTION AND IS PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE CONSTRUCTIVELY IN THE SPECIAL SESSION'S PREPARATORY PHASE.

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